Page 14, lines 2-6 replace with the following paragraph:

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Fig. 2 illustrates the individual flow of each of the program segments 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, and 50 of Fig. 1 whose direction of flow in Fig. 2 is the same as indicated in Fig. 1, and wherein program segments 40, 42 and 44 are shown in Fig. 2A, and program segments 46, 48, and 50 are shown in Fig. 2B.

Page 17, lines 6-8, replace with the following paragraph:

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The file option 136, via signal path 140, also makes available the preferences 147 selection made up of the sub-options shown in Fig. 3.

**In the Drawings**

Subject to the approval of the Examiner, please replace the existing informal drawings with the enclosed formal drawings (included in RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS).

## REMARKS

The specification has been amended to accommodate for the formal drawings. More particularly, the specification has been amended because the informal drawings consisted of Figs. 1, 2, and 3 whereas the formal drawings consist of Figs. 1, 2A, 2B, and 3.

In addition to filing informal drawings, this Preliminary Amendment is meant to bring to the attention that an error was made in the original filing of the informal

drawings because the filed informal drawings consisted of old non-updated drawings (Figs. 1, 2, 2, and 3 including unwanted notes), whereas the correct informal drawing (Figs. 1, 2, and 3) are free of unwanted notes and contain the correct reference numbers that correspond to those used in the specification. It should be pointed out that even though incorrect informal drawings were originally filed, no new matter has been added by this Preliminary Amendment because the original specification tracks the showing of the correct informal drawings. For the sake of clarity, the incorrect informal drawings are marked in red as INCORRECT INFORMAL DRAWINGS and the correct informal drawings are marked in red as CORRECT INFORMAL DRAWINGS.

In summary, it is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance and such allowance is respectfully requested.

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## VERSION SHOWING CHANGES MADE

**In the Specificati n**

Page 5, lines 10 and 11, have been amended as follows:

Fig. 2 is composed of Figs. 2A and 2B each of which illustrates details of [each of which] respective elements making up the mark-up tool of Fig. 1; and

Page 11, lines 22 through page 12, line 13 has been amended as follows:

After the user makes his changes, an E-mail address, comments and the mark-up state to be entered changes appears on the display means and is transmitted to one of the users of the network 36. The color of the rectangle is changes by clicking a corresponding state radio button (not shown) appearing on the display means 28. Also when entering commands, one of the state radio buttons may be checked before commas can be entered. When marked areas overlap, clicking the outermost (last) mark-up, causes the editor 44 dialogues to be displayed chronologically from the oldest to the most recently applied mark-up. Clicking the okay/next button advances to the next mark-up. Further details of the mark-up tool 12 may be further described with reference to Fig. 2 composed of Figs. 2A and 2B, which cumulatively [illustrates] illustrate further details of the program segments 40, 42, 44, 46, and 48 which, in turn, are comprised of sub-program segments shown in Fig. 2 and given in Table 2.

Page 14, lines 2-6 have been amended as follows:

Fig. 2 illustrates the individual flow of each of the program segments 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, and 50 of Fig. 1 whose direction of flow in Fig. 2 is the same as indicated in Fig.

1, and wherein program segments 40, 42 and 44 are shown in Fig. 2A, and program segments 46, 48, and 50 are shown in Fig. 2B.

Page 17, lines 6-8 has been amended as follows:

The file option 136, via signal path 140, also makes available the preferences [146] 147 selection made up of the sub-options shown in Fig. 3.

**In the Drawings**

The original filed informal drawings (marked in red as INCORRECT INFORMAL DRAWINGS) have been replaced by the correct informal drawings (marked in red as CORRECT INFORMAL DRAWINGS) which, in turn, have been replaced by the formal drawings (included in RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS).

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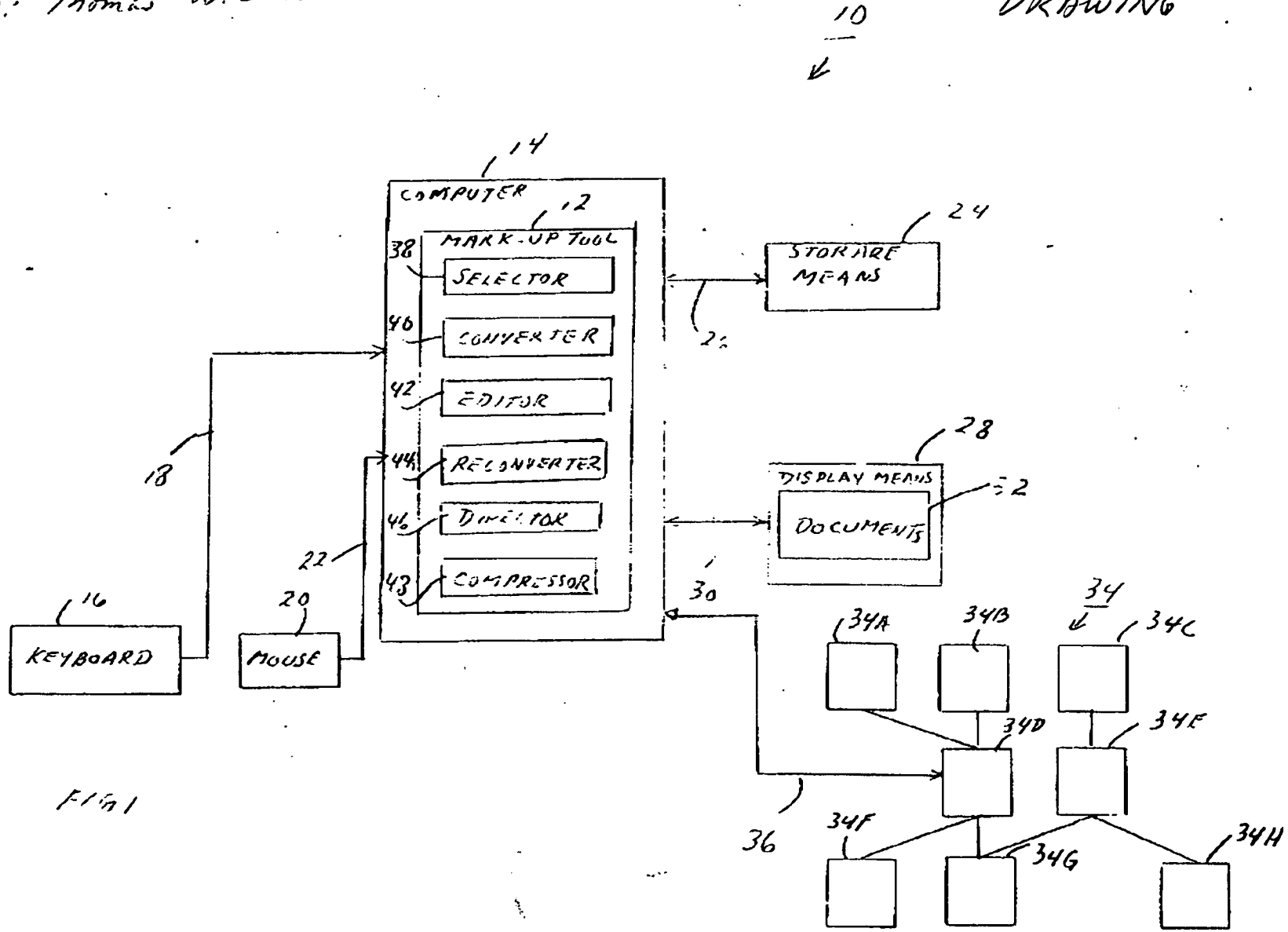


FIG 1

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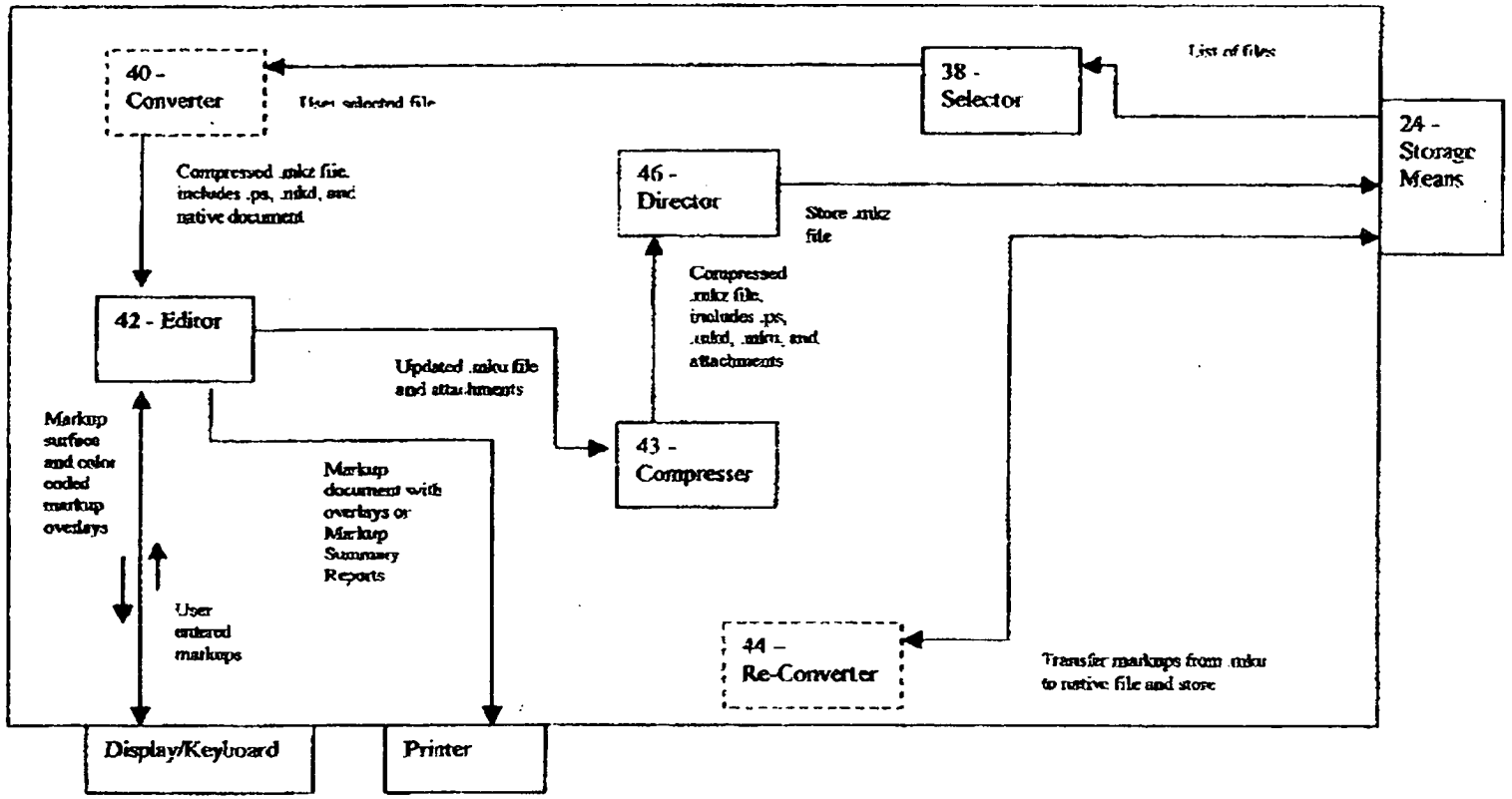


Figure 2:
12 – Markup Tool High-Level Flow Diagram

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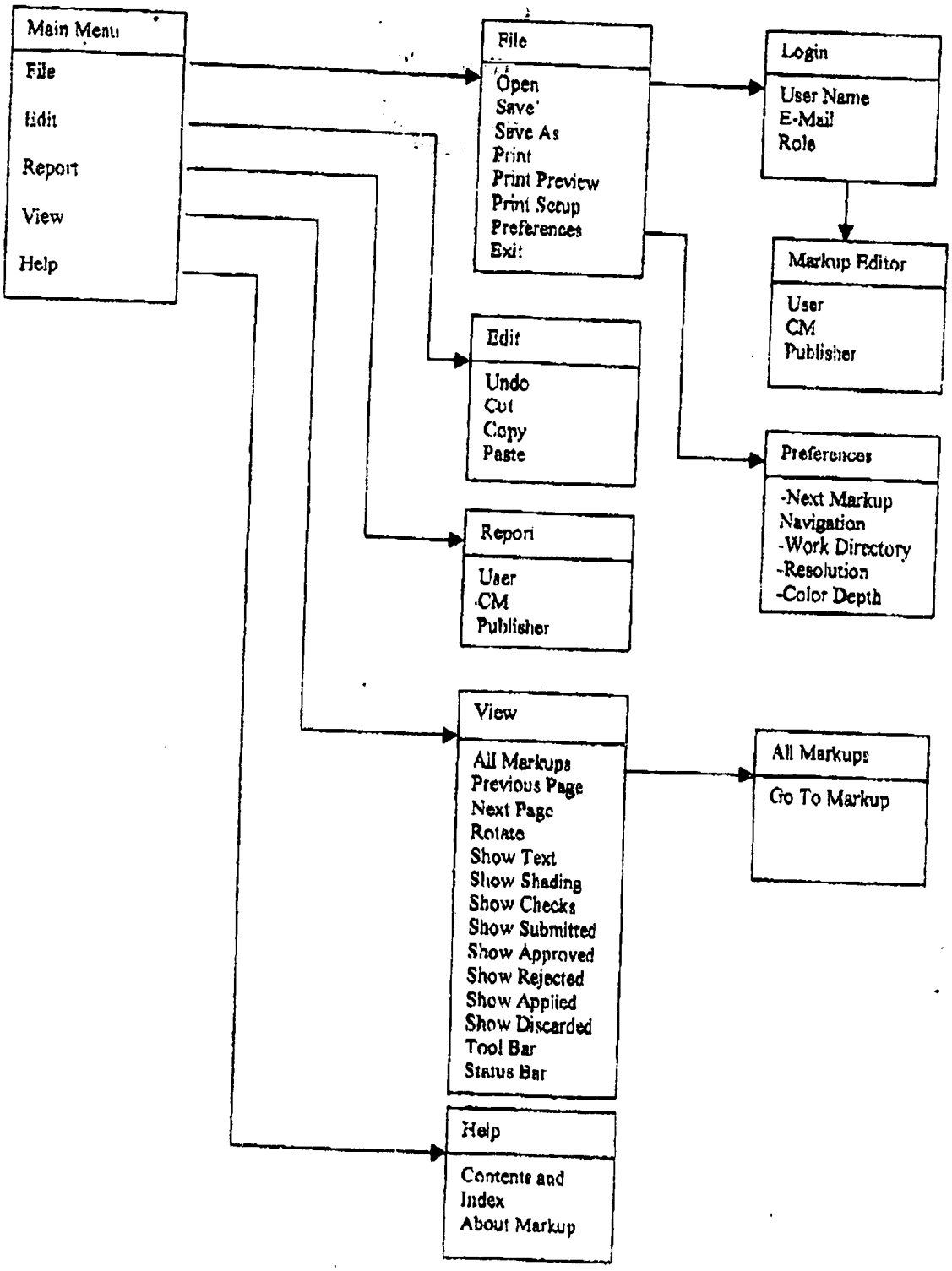


~~Figure 2-12. Markup Tool Program Structure Diagram~~

Figure 2

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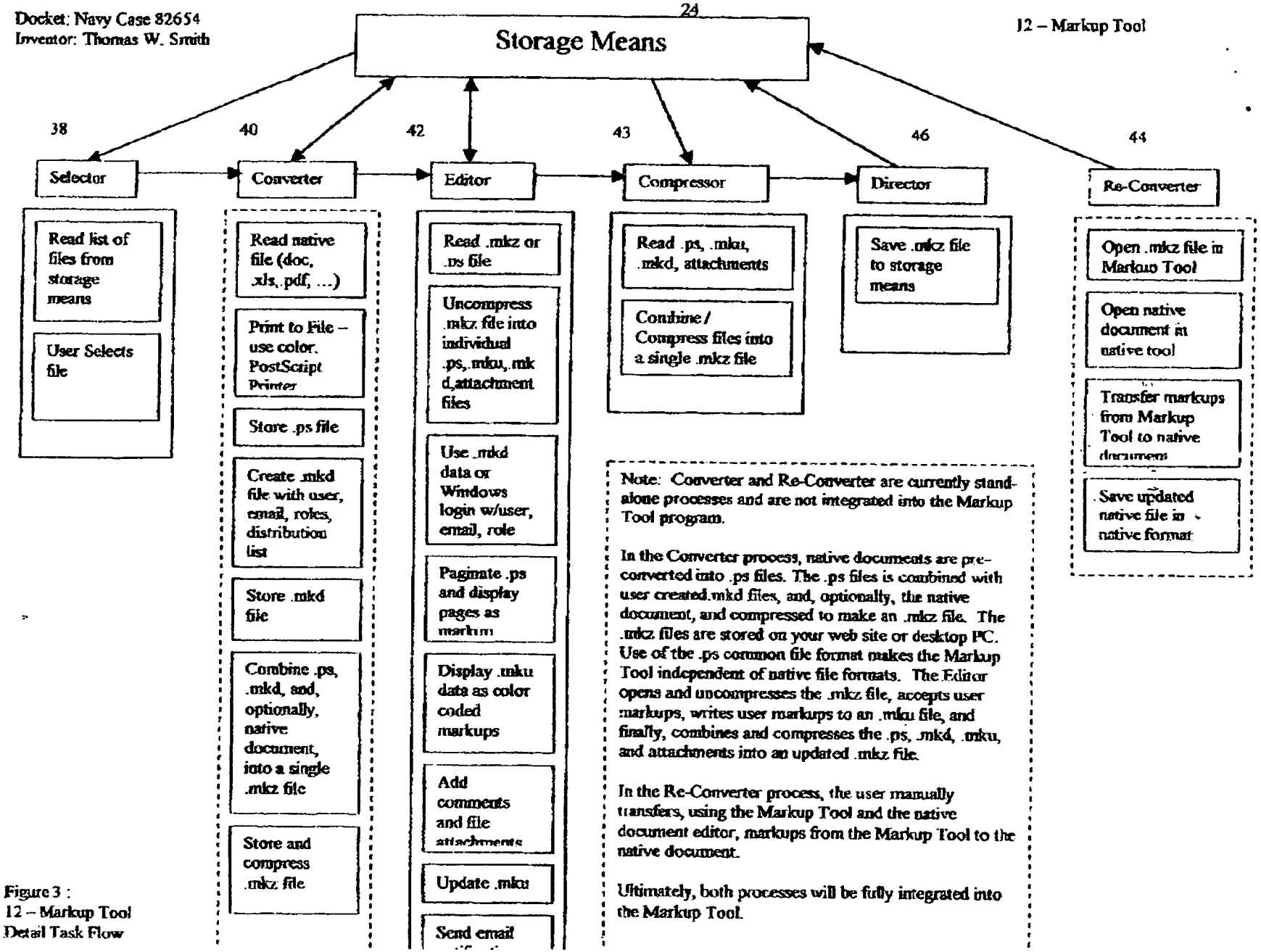
12 – Markup Tool




Note: Converter and Re-Converter are currently stand-alone processes and are not integrated into the Markup Tool program.

In the Converter process, native documents are pre-converted into .ps files. The .ps files is combined with user created.mkd files, and, optionally, the native document, and compressed to make an .mkz file. The .mkz files are stored on your web site or desktop PC. Use of the .ps common file format makes the Markup Tool independent of native file formats. The Editor opens and uncompresses the .mkz file, accepts user markups, writes user markups to an .mku file, and finally, combines and compresses the .ps, .mkd, .mku, and attachments into an updated .mkz file.

In the Re-Converter process, the user manually transfers, using the Markup Tool and the native document editor, markups from the Markup Tool to the native document.

Ultimately, both processes will be fully integrated into the Markup Tool.

Figure 3 :
12 – Markup Tool
Detail Task Flow

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